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**MESSAGE:**Re: **U.S. Patent Application No. 09/758,509  
SUPPLY CHAIN ARCHITECTURE**

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**Attention: Examiner Susanna M. Diaz****SUBMISSION**

Attached herewith for the convenience of the Examiner are:

1. an Information Disclosure Statement and form listing citations of art;
2. a Submission in accordance with M.P.E.P. §713.04 to make the substance of a telephone interview between the Examiner and the undersigned on October 20, 2004 of record; and
3. a Supplemental Amendment to the Office Action mailed April 23, 2004.

The art included with the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in corresponding divisional applications (Serial Numbers 10/219,611, 10/223,227 and 10/219,612).

The foregoing was discussed with the Examiner by telephone on October 26, 2004.

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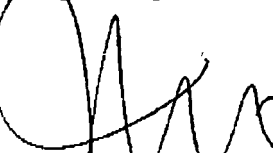
  
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Sir:

A telephone interview between the Examiner and the undersigned took place on October 20, 2004. In accordance with M.P.E.P. §713.04, applicant submits the following:

(A) A Brief Description of Exhibit  
No exhibits or demonstrations were shown.

(B) Identification of Claims  
Independent claim 133 was discussed.

(C) Identification of Prior Art  
No prior art was discussed.

(D) Identification of Proposed Substantive Amendments  
The Examiner proposed an amendment to claim 133, namely the deletion of the words, "at least one of" at line 10.

As proposed, amended claim 133 would provide that the step of analyzing includes determining whether converted customer forecasted demands represent a known customer, whether the converted customer forecasted demands comply with contractual terms, whether the converted customer forecasted demands are complete, whether the converted

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customer forecasted demands are accurate, whether the converted customer forecasted demands adhere to previous forecasts, whether the converted customer forecasted demands adhere to previous buying patterns, and whether the converted customer forecasted demands represent requests within agreed-to capacities.

(E) Brief Identification of Principal Arguments

With respect to the prior art cited under 35 USC 102 and 103, the amendment further distinguishes the invention from the prior art.

(F) Indication of Pertinent Matters

(G) Outcome of the Interview

The Examiner said that the amendment would distinguish the invention from the prior art.

(H) A Paper Copy of the Interview Via Internet E-mail

Not applicable.

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